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exchange or by purchase, and also numerous specimens from the Zoological Society of Philadelphia, among which may be mentioned specimens of *Struthio molybdophanes* and *Dromius irroratus*.

The Delaware Valley Ornithological Club has added many attractive groups to the collection of Pennsylvania and New Jersey birds which is rapidly approaching completion.

At the annual meeting of the Section held December 17, 1894, the following officers were elected:—

<i>Director,</i>	.	.	.	.	.	Dr. Spencer Trotter.
<i>Vice-Director,</i>	.	.	.	.	.	Geo. S. Morris.
<i>Recorder,</i>	.	.	.	.	.	Stewardson Brown.
<i>Secretary,</i>	.	.	.	.	.	Chas. E. Ridenour.
<i>Treasurer and Conservator,</i>	.	.	.	.	.	Witmer Stone.

Respectfully submitted,

WITMER STONE,  
*Conservator.*

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#### REPORT OF THE PROFESSOR OF INVERTEBRATE PALEONTOLOGY.

The Professor of Invertebrate Paleontology respectfully reports that, as heretofore, he has delivered his regular spring courses of lectures, twenty-five in number, the attendance at which has been larger than in any previous year. These lectures, embracing in great part the physiographic features of the region about Philadelphia, were supplemented by weekly field parties, and by two special summer class excursions: one to the region of the Shawangunk and Delaware Mountains, the other to the Bermuda Islands. On the first of these excursions the methods of topographical surveying were practically demonstrated in addition to the regular work in geology and paleontology. Two new fossil-bearing localities in the Trias were discovered in the course of the spring excursions.

The collections in the department of Invertebrate Paleontology have not been materially augmented during the year, nor has their condition been very greatly changed. Much has been done toward determining and redetermining unidentified or doubtful forms, and from many specimens hitherto unofficially labelled—*i. e.*, not

named by the author of the species in question—the labels have been removed. In a few cases, too, the authors' labels were found to be incorrect, or at least so doubtful as to necessitate the affixing of an interrogation mark to the identification. The general changes that had been made on the floor of the museum broke into the continuity of the arrangement that formerly existed, and necessitated a considerable reversal in the disposition of the series. An almost full readjustment has been made for the time being, but it cannot be said to meet the actual requirements of the collection. Very nearly double the case-room that the collection now occupies is needed for a proper display of, and to meet additions to, the American fossils alone, and the European collection, which is very disadvantageously stored away in drawers, would occupy about as much space as the American collection occupies at the present time. It is hoped that with the occupation of the Academy's new building the proper relief will be afforded this department.

The additions to the collection during the year are included in the list of accessions to the museum.

Respectfully submitted,

ANGELO HEILPRIN,

*Prof. of Invertebrate Paleontology.*

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#### REPORT OF THE PROFESSOR OF ETHNOLOGY AND ARCHÆOLOGY.

I have to report that in the early months of the year I delivered a course of lectures on general archæology. They were six in number and were free to the public. The attendance was unusually large, and a general interest was manifested in the subject.

The collections in this department have been increased by valuable accessions, which will be specified in the reports of the Curators. The whole collection is now in process of rearrangement in a favorable location in the new building.

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